Filed for intro on 03/06/95 House Bill\_\_\_\_\_ By

Senate No. SJR0089 By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Donald Crabtree and the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team on winning the state championship.

WHEREAS, the state of Tennessee is pleased to specially honor its young athletes who work hard, persevere and are highly successful, and there is no finer group of young athletes than the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team, which handily won the state championship, putting on an awesome display of diamond excellence rarely seen before; and

WHEREAS, Mt. Juliet won the coveted Area Tournament with stunning victories against Murfreesboro and South Hills, by a combined 29-5 margin to advance to the District competition; and

WHEREAS, the District Tournament in Madison was a tough, hard-fought struggle with the valiant Mt. Juliet team emerging as the champions, beating the host team 15-0 and North Nashville twice, 4-2 and 5-3, to the enthusiastic delight of their many fans; and

WHEREAS, at the state tournament, Mt. Juliet played at their home park and won the title with impressive victories over Maryville 14-4 and 13-0, Dickson County 9-5 and Decatur County 10-1; and

WHEREAS, they are the only Mt. Juliet minor league team to ever win a state championship; and

WHEREAS, at the state tournament they scored an incredible 46 runs and their defense gave up just 10 runs; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding team outscored their opponents by a 98-21 margin in nine Area, District and State Tournament games; and

WHEREAS, head coach Donald Crabtree has performed each of his duties with extraordinary diligence and tireless dedication; his fine assistant coaches Andy Perry and Mike Armstrong have done outstanding jobs; and

WHEREAS, the team members were Chase Eakes, who played shortstop, had a .833 batting average in the state tournament and hit .538 overall; Chase Mitchell, pitcher and second baseman who batted .500 in the district and state; Stephen Shao, left fielder who had a .444 overall batting average; Ryan Armstrong, pitcher and third baseman, who batted .413; Justin Hallum, pitcher and third baseman, who compiled a .384 average; Alan Miller, pitcher and right fielder, who batted .375; Clint Perry, first baseman, who batted .357; Berek Whiteaker, right fielder, who had a .313 average; Ryan Crabtree, pitcher and center fielder, who had a .310 average; Brandon Greer, catcher; Andrew Shepherd, catcher and Josh Sloan, left fielder, each of whom contributed to the success of the team this season; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body specially honor this fine team; now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Coach Donald Crabtree and the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team on winning the state championship and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation, with this final clause omitted from such copies.

- 2 - \*00408773\*

- A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Donald Crabtree and the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team on winning the state championship.
- A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Donald Crabtree and the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team on winning the state championship.
- A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Donald Crabtree and the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team on winning the state championship.
- A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Donald Crabtree and the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team on winning the state championship.
- A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Donald Crabtree and the Mt. Juliet 9-10 year old baseball team on winning the state championship.

- 3 - \*00408773\*